

# Standard Response Emergency Protocols

Prepared by the District Incident Response Team

Student and staff safety is important to Chico Unified. Each school compiles an in-depth Safe Schools Plan that is reviewed on an annual basis. Our school sites practice various emergency drills and simulations throughout the school year.

The following is a brief explanation of our standard response emergency protocols, so you can better understand our response actions.

## Code Yellow

- No immediate danger
- Keep doors locked, windows and curtains closed until the lockdown is over
- Lights may remain on
- No unsupervised movement outside of the building
- **Parents** - monitor websites and social media for updates

## Precautionary Code Red

The strong partnership between Chico Unified and the Chico Police Department allows for schools to be quickly notified if suspects are near a school site.

- Potential threat is often unknown – short lockdown duration
- Treat the situation as a Code Red and secure all students safely inside a building
- **Parents** – monitor websites/social media for updates; do not contact the school until notified

## Code Red Lockdown/Evacuation

- Imminent threat or danger on campus
- School site Incident Coordinator will instruct a lockdown or evacuation
- Doors remain locked, lights are off, students remain in classroom (if in lockdown)
- **Parents** – monitor emails/phones for communication from the school or district and wait for directions regarding reunification. Please wait until the hazard has passed before contacting the school or picking up your student

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